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# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No. 01-4876/DIV  
First Inventor Gary Q. Teague  
Title Universal Trailer Hitch Mirror System  
Express Mail Label No. ER 343767141 US

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## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☐ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☐ Specification [Total Pages   
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
  - Descriptive title of the invention
  - Cross Reference to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
  - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☐ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets
5. ☐ Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 
  - a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
  - b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
    - i. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
  - a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
  - b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
    - i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
    - ii. ☐ paper
  - c. ☐ Statements verifying identity of above copies

## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) ☐ Power of Attorney
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
13. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)
15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)
16. ☐ Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
17. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☒ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.: 09, 923,823  
Prior application information: Examiner: Kevin Hurley Group Art Unit: 3611

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         Serial No.                :      09/923,823  
         Filing Date             :      08/07/2001  
         For                         :      UNIVERSAL TRAILER HITCH MIRROR  
   SYSTEM  
         Atty. Doc. No.        :      01-4876/CIP

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**CONTINUATION-IN-PART APPLICATION (CIP)**  
**(Original Application Not to be Abandoned)**

Dear Sir:

This is a request for filing a Continuation-in-Part Application under 37 *CFR* 1.60, for prior application Serial No.: 09/923,823, filed on 08/07/2001, entitled "UNIVERSAL TRAILER HITCH MIRROR SYSTEM," by the following named inventor:

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Citizenship:      United States of America

The above-identified prior application in which no payment of the issue fee, abandonment of, or termination proceedings has occurred. Please use all the contents of the prior application file wrapper, including the drawings, as the basic papers for the new application.

Applicant further states:

1. A Preliminary Amendment Accompanying Continuation-in-Part (CIP) is being filed simultaneously herewith and is attached to this CIP and incorporated herein by reference.

2. The filing fee accompanying this application is calculated as follows:

Basic Fee	\$375.00
Additional fees:	
Total no. of claims in excess of 20, @ \$9.00/each: (0)	0.00
Number of Independent claims in excess of 3, @ \$42.00/each: (0)	0.00
Multiple Dependent claims @ \$140.00/each: (0)	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL FILING FEE	\$375.00

A check in the amount of \$375.00 is enclosed to cover the above filing fee.

3. The Statement Claiming Small Entity Status is still applicable.

4. Another "Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney" for this continuation-in-part application is enclosed and the power of attorney remains the same as in the prior application granted to Edward M. Livingston, Esq., Patent Attorney Reg. No. 28,523. Please address all future communications to:

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5. A true copy of the prior application with drawings as filed is enclosed. The undersigned states that the enclosed application papers comprise a true copy of the prior application as filed.

Respectfully submitted,  
Gary Q. Teague, Applicant

Date: 7/1/03

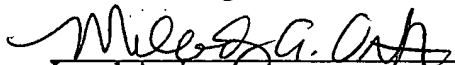
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Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find the following with respect to the above captioned application:

1. Utility Patent Application Transmittal;
2. Continuation-in-part Application;
3. Check in the sum of \$375.00 to cover the filing fees for the above;
4. Preliminary Amendment Accompanying CIP Application with attached:
  - A. Version with Markings to Show Changes to Specification;
  - B. Clean Version of Specification as amended; and
  - C. Replacement drawing pages 1/2 and 2/2.
5. Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney; and
6. True and correct copy of original patent application and drawings.

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Should you have any questions, or if anything further is required, please contact the undersigned attorney of record.

Very truly yours,



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